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- ☒ Clean Version of Pending Claims (4 pgs.).
- ☒ Clean Version of Amended Specification Paragraphs (1 pg.).
- ☒ Red-lined Figure 1A (1 pg.).

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Applicant has reviewed the office action mailed on December 3, 2001. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

IN THE DRAWINGS

The drawings were objected to because segments 110 and 112 were not finished. Enclosed is a copy of Figure 1A of the drawings showing the following proposed amendment to Figure 1A in red ink. Segments 110 and 112 are finished as shown in red ink. A portion of vias 104 and 105 are shown as coming through the substrate as shown in red ink. Support for this amendment is provided in the specification at page 3, lines 25-27: "The via 104 is coupled to the pad 102 by a conductive segment 110. The via 105 is coupled to the pad 102 by a conductive segment 112." Thus, no new matter is added to the application by the proposed amendment.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please make the paragraph substitutions indicated in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Amended Specification Paragraphs. The specific changes incorporated in the substitute paragraphs are shown in the following marked-up versions of the original paragraphs.

The paragraph beginning at page 3, line 20 is amended as follows:

Figure 1A is a top view of [some embodiments] one embodiment of an interconnect 100 according to the teachings of the present invention. As can be seen in Figure 1A, the interconnect 100 is formed on a substrate 101. The interconnect 100 includes a pad 102 and three vias 104-106 coupled to the pad 102. The via 104 is coupled to the pad 102 by a